

REMARKS

The title has been amended to be in conformance with the translation of the International Application.

The specification has been amended to make reference to the Japanese Application from which this application originates and to incorporate by reference the Japanese priority application. The specification has also been amended to conform to U.S. practice. A marked-up copy and a clean copy of the substitute specification are provided.

Claims have been amended to put them in conformity with U.S. claiming style and to better describe the claimed invention. Claim 3 has been amended to eliminate multiply dependent claim. The amendment is made to reduce filing fees and not for any other reason related to patentability of such claim. Claims 7-20 have been added to restore the subject matters that was removed as a result of the amendment. New claims are fully supported by the original claim and the specification.

Abstract has been amended to conform to U.S. practice.

No new matter has been added by these amendments.

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

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